Vessels as are necessary to transport the public Flour to Head September Quarters in Virginia.

September 22 Liber No. 78 p. 286 Ibid.

## [Council to Colo Henry Hollingsworth.]

We request you to collect every Barrel of Flour you can, and have it turned over to the Quartermaster at Elk, to be immediately forwarded to the Army in Virginia, where it is much wanted. For the Purpose of transporting the Flour, we hereby authorize and empower you to impress as many Vessels as are necessary. You will inform us of the Quantity of Flour you turn over to the Continental Officer and of your future Prospects in collecting that Article.

## [Governor Lee to President of the Special Council.]

Ibid.

I have the Honor of your Letter of the IIth Septr which shall be laid before the Council when a Sufficient Number of Members are assembled to compose a Board, at present that is not the Case; in the Mean Time, permit me to return you Thanks on their Behalf for the Aid you are pleased to afford us in carrying into Execution the Measures necessary at this interesting Period. The Council are also under great Obligations for your Attention in providing Vessels to transport the Troops now at Baltimore, with their Baggage &ca to the Point of intended operations in Virginia. Capt. Walleys Services will be very acceptable in the Removal of the Troops and the strength of the Protector Galley will give Security against the Enemy's small armed Vessels. The Enclosure will demonstrate the absolute Necessity of the most immediate Exertions being made by this State to forward large Supplies of Provision to the Army in Virginia, more especially those of the Bread Kind, and I am persuaded it is not necessary for me to add any Thing to the General's Requisitions, to induce your Honorable Board to strain every Nerve to obviate the Consequences which will attend Delay.

## [Governor Lee to Thomas Richardson, Esqr., Com'y for Montgomery County.]

The March of the French Troops by Land to Virginia affords a very favorable Opportunity of forwarding the Cattle you have at your Post to Head Quarters, where, I am informed by his Excellency the Commander in Chief, they are much wanted. I beg you will apply to Major General the Baron Viomeniel commanding the Troops, to be so obliging as to direct his Officer commanding the Bullock Guard, to take under his Care, the Cattle you may have on Hand. From M<sup>r</sup> Calhoun's Letter of this Date, there are Hopes that you have your Stock of Flour considerably augmented by the Exertions of the p. 287 Deputy Commissaries of Frederick and Washington Counties which by your last Returns he says were 1185 Barrels. I beg you will make

Ibid.